NOTICE OF INTENT TO REPEAL RULE 20-3-.10, "Temporary Permits." OF THE GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES:

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the authority set forth below, the Georgia State Board of Accountancy (hereinafter "Board") proposes to repeal Rule 20-3-.10, "Temporary Permits," (herein after "proposed rule amendment"). The Board voted to post this notice of repeal at a meeting on February 25th, 2008. The proposed repeal is to bring the chapter into compliance with changes to O.C.G.A. § 43-3-6. This notice, together with an exact copy of the proposed rule repeal and a synopsis of the proposed rule repeal, is being mailed to all persons who have requested, in writing, that they be placed on a mailing list. A copy of this notice, an exact copy of the proposed rule repeal, and a synopsis of the proposed rule repeal may be reviewed during normal business hours of 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., Monday through Friday, except official State holidays, at the Office of the Secretary of State, Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217. Copies may also be requested by contacting the Board office at (478) 207-2440.

A public hearing will be held at 10:00 a.m. May 11th, 2009 at the Secretary of State's Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive in Macon, Georgia 31217 to provide the public an opportunity to comment upon and provide input into the proposed rule amendment.

At the public hearing anyone may present data, make a statement, comment or offer a viewpoint or argument whether orally or in writing. Lengthy statements or statements of a considerable technical or economic nature, as well as previously recorded messages, must be submitted for official record. Oral statements should be presented in writing. Written comments are welcome. Such written comments must be legible and signed, should contain contact information from the maker (address, telephone number and/or facsimile number, etc.) and be actually received in the office prior to the close of business (5:00 P.M.) on May 5th, 2009. Written comments should be addressed to Randall D. Vaughn, Division Director, Secretary of State, Professional Licensing Boards Division, Georgia State Board of Accountancy, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217. Telephone (478) 207-2440 or fax (866) 888-9718.

The Board will consider the proposed rule amendment for adoption at a meeting scheduled to begin at 10:00 a.m. on June 10th, 2009 at the Secretary of State's Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive in Macon, Georgia 31217. According to the Department of Law, State of Georgia, the Georgia State Board of Accountancy has the authority to repeal Rule 20-3-.10 pursuant to authority contained in O.C.G.A. §§ 43-3-5 and 43-3-24.

At its meeting on February 25th, 2009 the Georgia State Board of Accountancy voted that the formulation and adoption of this rule does not impose excessive regulatory cost on any licensee and any cost to comply with the proposed rule cannot be reduced by a less expensive alternative that fully accomplishes the objectives of O.C.G.A. §§ 43-3-5 and 43-3-24.

Additionally, at the meeting, the Board voted that it was legal and feasible to meet the objectives of O.C.G.A. §§ 43-3-5 and 43-3-24 to adopt or implement differing actions for businesses as listed in O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(3)(A), (B), (C) and (D). The formulation and adoption of these rules will impact every licensee in the same manner and each licensee is independently licensed in the field or Accountancy.

For further information, contact the Board office at (478) 207-2440.

This notice is given in compliance with O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4.

This 6th day of April, 2009.

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Professional Licensing Boards Division

Posted: April 6, 2009

SYNOPSIS OF PROPOSED REVISIONS TO THE GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY RULES RULE 20-3-.10, "Temporary Permits."

PURPOSE: The purpose of this amendment is to repeal the rule.

MAIN FEATURES: The main feature is to repeal this rule.

DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE EXISTING RULE AND THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY RULE 20-3-.10, "Temporary Permits."

NOTE: Underlined text is proposed to be added; lined through text is proposed to be deleted.

20-3-.10 Temporary Permits. Repealed

- (1) Applications for temporary permits to practice shall be made on a form provided by the Board and obtainable from its offices. The application must be accompanied by a fee as established by the Board in its fee schedule.
- -(2) Each application shall be accompanied by a statement of the applicant, or, if it is a partnership or corporation, by a statement of a partner or shareholder of the applicant:
- -(a) showing that the applicant is duly licensed to practice as a certified public accountant or a firm of certified public accountants in another state;
- -(b) identifying the specific professional engagement to be performed in this State pursuant to the temporary permit; and
- (c) stating the name and office address of each person who will be engaged in the performance of the engagement in this State.
- (3) Each temporary permit shall be valid for no longer than 90 days and may be renewed upon filing proper application and payment of a renewal fee as established by the Board in its fee schedule.

Authority O.C.G.A. Secs. 43-3-5 and 43-3-24.